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The Konza Prairie in Kansas photographed by Patricia Duncan.

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District IV presidents: Judy Ruedlinger, Kappa, CDP; and Edwina Covington, Beta Zeta, ADP.



Kansas

Kappa chapter house at Lawrence

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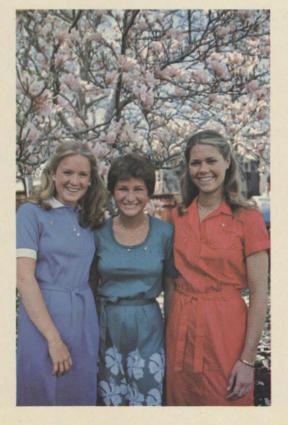
As Kappa chapter prepares for its 100th anniversary in 1981, a centennial history is being written and the chapter house has been redecorated in anticipation of visits by alumnae returning for the milestone event.

Kappa chapter has at least two firsts to its credit: it was the first Greek letter fraternity for women on the campus of Kansas University; and four years later established itself as the publisher of the first volume of the Kappa Alpha Theta Journal, forerunner of the Magazine.

As with the founding of Alpha chapter 11 years earlier, the 12 charter members made their debut as a chapter of a women's fraternity by their entrance into chapel for morning devotions. At KU, each girl wore a neckband of black velvet, edged with gold braid.

Kappa's acceptance into the fraternity was not overly enthusiastic by all the early-day chapters, but the decision proved to be fortunate. The chapter contributed two Grand Presidents, Anna Harrison Nelson (1907-11) and Jessie Baldridge Lebrecht (1924-28). The present Grand Vice-President, Service, Marjorie Crane Schnacke is also a member of

Kappa's claim to fame today is its sponsorship of the "Superstars" contest, a service project. Open to all groups living on campus, each sends its "Superstar" to compete in seven athletic events. Proceeds go to the Retarded Citizens of Lawrence.



Spring initiates Susan Crier, Paula Graves, Kathy Kindred pictured outside the chapter house after initiation.



Oklahoma

Alpha Omicron chapter house in Norman



Thetas and Sigma Chis teamed up to build a Homecoming float.

When Alpha Omicron chapter was installed in the new State of Oklahoma in 1909, it was the first chapter of a Greek letter fraternity for women in the state. Thus its leadership role was established early, not only on the campus but in communities throughout the state where alumnæ became civic and social leaders.

Alpha Omicron's chapter house is one of the largest in the fraternity, a home to 80 who reside there and other members living elsewhere on campus.

Leadership and academic ability have perpetuated themselves over the years in Alpha Omicron. The past year the chapter took allsorority honors in all house and pledge class scholarship. Two Oklahoma Thetas became members of Phi Beta Kappa this year with many more being tapped for departmental academic honors. Mortar Board claimed one member of Alpha Omicron, while four were listed in Who's Who in American Colleges.

Student government participants included four Thetas who served in Student Congress, a chairman of the Sooner Rally Council and three who were rated among the Top Ten Greek Women.

History gave this chapter a head start but perserverance and good direction, along with strong leadership have kept the Kite flying high over Oklahoma.



Washburn

Alpha Upsilon chapter house in Topeka



Washburn University, located in Topeka, Kansas, holds the distinction of being one of the few remaining municipal universities in the United States. In June 1966, a devastating tornado ripped through the campus and wiped out over half of the buildings, including the Theta house.

The new chapter home was relocated just off the campus where it houses 32 of the 50 members. It took nearly four years to complete necessary fund raising, zoning and final construction of the new house, and Washburn Thetas are very proud of their beautiful new home.

The chapter has remained scholastically oriented and maintains the number one ranking among sororities. A new service project this past year involved alumnæ cooperation . . . the members rented themselves as slaves for a day to alumnæ. The project proved so worthwhile it will be used again for fund raising for community and Foundation endeavors.

Topeka's 300 alumnæ play a big part in the strength of the Alpha Upsilon chapter.

A glimpse of the Tall Grass



Beta Zeta chapter house in Stillwater

Oklahoma State



Beta Zeta calls Oklahoma State University home. Located in the friendly north central town of Stillwater, the university attracts over 26,000 students with its excellent academic and extracurricular programs, highlighted by its strong and close knit Greek system.

A local sorority at Oklahoma State petitioning Kappa Alpha Theta for a charter had to wait until after World War I, as the fraternity had given its attention exclusively to helping its chapters through the difficult war years. Awarding of the Theta charter to local Alpha Theta was done on the basis of a 1917 Constitutional amendment which required affirmative vote of 90% of the chapters following approval by Grand Council and other college chapters of the district.

Beta Zeta returned 93 members to school this fall and added a pledge class of 45. In order to accommodate an ever-growing chapter the Beta Zeta corporation added a new wing to the house, a \$500,000 construction project bringing the living capacity to 95.

The chapter boasts two awards from the 1978 Grand Convention including the "Golden Kite Award" and a first place in Service. Campus and community service projects range from tutoring at a boys ranch to adopting a foreign child. Ten members of Beta Zeta were tapped for Mortar Board last spring, attesting to the chapter's leadership position on campus.

Stillwater's 50 active alumnæ together with the chapter held a celebration honoring Beta Zeta's 60 years at OSU at homecoming weekend in November.

Kites fly over the Stillwater campus.



Gamma Tau chapter house in Tulsa

Tulsa



Thetas participate in Sigma Chi Derby Day.

Though it was the last of the national sororities to arrive on the University of Tulsa campus, the Gamma Tau chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta quickly earned a reputation of strength through individuality. The local colony which became a Theta chapter in February 1951 was called Tri Theta and was organized by six Theta transfers who had come to Tulsa for this purpose.

Leadership is a word synonymous with Theta at the University of Tulsa. Gamma Tau was the winner of the 1978 Grand Convention award for excellence in Fraternity Trends and the chapter placed third in the Forward Award competition.

Locally, TU Thetas are known for their outstanding campus leadership. They hold positions as student government senators; communications, social and homecoming chairmen. Gamma Tau is also home for TU's panhellenic president, yearbook and newspaper staff writers, and numerous recipients of scholastic honors. The chapter is also proud of last year's pledge class which was first in scholarship among all pledge classes on campus.

Spirit? Gamma Tau also holds the title of the most spirited sorority at Tulsa University, and for the third consecutive year, a Theta was chosen the "Most Spirited Greek Woman" on campus.

Heather Paisley

Kansas State

Delta Eta chapter house in Manhattan



Kite flying in any season in prairie country

From the high plains of Kansas, Delta Eta stands tall in the heart of "Purple Pride" country, Kansas State University in Manhattan. Chartered in May 1961, it is the eighth Theta Chapter in the "Big 8" conference, the 3rd in Kansas.

Because of its young age, it looks forward eagerly to its first daughter legacy and to the joint 20 year celebration with the Manhattan Alumnæ Club in 1981.

Panhellenic at KSU has received several outstanding recognition awards from NPC in recent years and all 10 sororities on the KSU campus share in its benefits. Delta Eta chapter takes pride this year in having the panhellenic vice-president, Stephanie Davis.

Scholarship has always ranked high among chapter goals and achievements. Janine Trempy won the 1979 Kansas City Alumnæ scholarship and Marsha Busbarsky Huston, Ph.D. graduate student and rush adviser, won a 1978 Foundation Graduate Scholarship. Page Puckett was the winner of the "one time" Frances Landrum Holman scholarship and Marie Mansfield Davidson, one of the first Delta Eta graduates, was the first Theta to win the Biennial Foundation Fellowship.

Service projects, considered positive programs for campus recognition, range from Hallloween Unicef collections to wheelchair basketball, tennis matches, and collecting stamps.

54th GRAND CONVENTION AT MIAMI

Calling all Thetas to join us for a once-in-a-lifetime experience at an outstandingly beautiful and magnificent resort hotel!

Kappa Alpha Theta's 54th Grand Convention will be held June 21-26, 1980 at the Doral Hotel and Country Club, Miami, Florida, and we urge

you to mark your calendar now to join us for this exciting event.

Conveniently located within minutes of the Miami International Airport, the Doral presents the spacious grounds, elegant rooms and gracious service which only a first class resort can offer. It is hard to believe that prairie-like vistas of underbrush and swamp once prevailed-and that cows once grazed -where the luxurious Doral Country Club now stands. The dream of the late Alfred Kaskel, who carved Doral out of the wilderness, is actually the extension of the vision of such early Florida developers as Henry Flagler whose Florida East Coast Railroad first arrived in Miami in 1896 and helped turn a backwoods community into a thriving metropolis.

Although much has changed since then, Miami still retains a Latin American flavor unique to the city and reflected in the baroque beauty of the Spanish Colonial architecture and furnishings of the Doral—truly a salute

to Florida's colorful history.

You will find within Doral's 2400 acres a tropical paradise featuring every recreational facility, and an unparalleled opportunity to join us for the fun and excitement of Grand Convention.

See you at the Doral!

Hattie Damish and Marian Cobb Convention Managers

June 21-26, 1980



Miami convention planners l. to r. Patty Valois, Cynthia Kline, Robie Lacy and Dianne Miller.

GRAND CONVENTION IS...





Bringing Home an Award for Your Chapter



Joining Fun Night Antics



Delegates' Reserved Seats

When Thetas get together for a Grand Convention, it is truly a "grand" affair in all that word implies. If the first impression is that of a mob scene of congenial people having a wonderful time, that's a pretty apt description of arrival and registration. You'll just have time to settle in, examine the contents of your attractive convention totebag, and head for the dining room where our first meal together will honor the Theta Super Stars. The Super Stars are perennial convention goers. They wouldn't miss the event which keeps on happening every two years in June.

In contrast to the high spirits of the Welcoming Dinner, we move to the next event which is the official opening of Grand Convention, Nike, one of the most



A Convention Banquet Processional

impressive ceremonies in which Thetas participate. Its pagentry and solemnity create a fitting mood for the recognition of all chapter of the fraternity, represented by voting delegates, and the welcome of new chapters of the last biennium.

Individual district meetings conclude the first day of Grand Convention.

Sunday morning the business of Grand Convention gets underway with the opening general session. In assigned seats, college and alumnæ delegates will answer roll call, and all convention registrants will be present to hear the Grand President's inspiring keynote speech.

It's now time for the Scramble Luncheon where a preplanned game leads you to a table with those from another district or another age group. You'll come away from that luncheon knowing at least 10 Thetas you didn't know before.

After an afternoon of workshops for college and alumnæ Thetas, those from Districts I-IX will head for a before-dinner Council reception to greet Grand Council members at a social hour. A second reception later in the week will afford an opportunity for Thetas from Districts X-XVIII to meet Council members.

A Convention highlight will be the guest speaker at Sunday dinner. United States Senator, Nancy Kassebaum, Kappa chapter, Kansas University will address the convention delegates and guests.

That evening you will attend an actual initiation in which Council members using the national parapharnelia will conduct the ceremony.

Monday morning those who wish to sharpen their leadership skills will attend an earlybird parliamentary procedures session. At the second general session the business of Grand Convention will get underway. The Grand Convention is responsible for conducting the following fraternity business: voting on proposed changes in Theta law and electing a complete slate of officers to Grand Council. While only officers and official delegates vote, all attending have the privilege of the floor and therefore the opportunity of exerting their influence and letting their views be known.

A Panhellenic Luncheon where guests from other NPC groups are present will bring another opportunity to hear another prominent speaker. Monday's activities are capped with the Awards Dinner, an event that is looked forward to by those whose chapters have been vying for top honors, and those who will applaud their success. It's a proud night for all.

Tuesday comes the free afternoon, for sightseeing or taking advantage of the Doral's many recreational facilities. This sets the mood for Fun Night, a hilarious time for skits, song contests and generally letting down. You'll remember the antics of this night long after some of the other memories have faded.

Wednesday morning is a time for special breakfast get-togethers. The legacy breakfast and the honoraries breakfast are regular features of Theta conventions.

An afternoon of rotating sessions and a final general session will end early so that there will be plenty of time to get ready for the finale, the banquet processional and the Convention Banquet.

HOTEL RESERVATION AND REGISTRATION FORM FOR VISITORS ONLY KAPPA ALPHA THETA GRAND CONVENTION

THIS FORM IS FOR VISITORS ONLY, including Advisory Board and House Corporation Board members.

Doral Hotel and Country Club

Miami, Florida

June 21-26, 1980

Delegates (Alumnae and College Chapter Presidents) will receive their registration forms in the mail. Families attending will pay Convention rate, with all meals except Banquet taken in the Convention dining room. Registration Fee: Covers baggage charges in and out of hotel, convention kits and materials, Kite newspapers, Banquet favor. Tipping for personal services is not included. Registration fee must accompany this form. Add \$10.00 if paid after May 1, 1980. Fee is not refundable after June 1, 1980. Make check payable to Kappa Alpha Theta. This fee does not apply to those coming for one meal only. Transportation: Visitors will make their own transportation arrangements to Miami with their local travel agents. Hotel Rates: Full American plan applies June 16-28, 1980. Order from American Plan Menu. Rate includes tax and gratuities for room and all meals. Do not send check for hotel and meals to Central Office. All visitors will pay the hotel for these charges upon checking out of the hotel. \$46.46 per person per day, double occupancy \$64.48 per day, single occupancy, subject to availability \$42.22 per person per day, triple occupancy, subject to availability DETACH AND RETURN TO: KAPPA ALPHA THETA, SUITE 400, 801 DAVIS ST., EVANSTON, IL 60201 NAME____ first name maiden name, if married last name husband's initials ADDRESS _ Street and number State or Province __ Departure date ___ Arrival date Initiation year _____ Alumna _____ Collegian ____ Your college chapter ___ ____ House Corporation Board ______ Chapter Advisory Board ____ Past National, District or Special Officer ___ 50 year member _____ Will sing in Convention choir ____ Number of Grand Conventions previously attended _____ Hotel Room Preference: Note: All chapter advisers will be assigned roommates by Central Office.. Please check the following for your preference: ☐ Single room ☐ Twin (sharing with) name___ ☐ Triple (sharing with) name___ ____address___ address__ name__ ☐ Desire non-smoking roommate. ☐ I have no roommate, to be assigned

VISITORS MEAL RESERVATION REQUEST FORM

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What Every Theta Should Know

by Virginia Schmid, Nominating Committee Chairman

If you were asked how the Grand Council of Kappa Alpha Theta is chosen, the length of service provided for in our laws, the duties of Council members, and the qualifications needed by Council members—could you answer all these questions?

If not, here is your opportunity to learn.

Procedure for election of Grand Council

In this democratic organization, all college chapters, all alumnæ chapters, all alumnæ clubs, and all members have an opportunity to recommend possible nominees to the Nominating Committee. The Winter Bulletin will include a request from the Nominating Committee chairman for recommendations. In Spring, 1980, a letter will be sent to each college and alumnæ chapter inviting recommendations. Similar letters will be sent to each district officer and to each national officer. A recommendation blank will be enclosed with each letter. Additional blanks are available from Central Office.

Letters of recommendation are of course also accepted by the chairman who may request that the letter writer provide more complete information by filling in the recommendation blank.

A Kappa Alpha Theta biographical form—to be filled out and returned—will be sent by the chairman of the Nominating Committee to each Theta recommended for Grand Council.

To be considered, all recommendations must be submitted to the Nominating Committee chairman by May 1, 1980.

Except for the chairman, the Nominating Committee is selected after the opening session of Grand Convention. At separate district sessions, committee members are selected by and from the delegates of each district. One-half the members of the committee are delegates from college chapters; one-half are delegates from alumnæ chapters. The committee thus includes 18 members, one from each district.

The Nominating Committee inquires into the abilities, and qualifications of the candidates recommended to it and prepares a slate of officers to be presented to the Convention for approval. The committee notifies each candidate of her nomination prior to making the report and ascertains her willingness to serve if elected. Further nominations for Grand Council may be made from the floor at Grand Convention by any chapter delegate.

Length of Service of Grand Council

The Constitution of Kappa Alpha Theta states that all officers of Grand Council and all members-at-large shall be elected at Grand Convention. Terms are for two years, beginning immediately after installation. According to our Laws, no one may serve more than three terms as a member-at-large, followed by two terms as a Grand Vice President, and two terms as Grand Presi-

dent. Also, no member of Grand Council may regress in office.

Duties of Grand Council

Council's responsibility is divided among committees. Members of Grand Council must be able to develop and implement new programs in their particular field (alumnæ, college, finance, service or administration) and be active contributors to the total welfare of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Members of Grand Council are required to attend two meetings each year, in September and February, lasting about a week. Council meetings are also held in conjunction with other fraternity functions such as Leadership Conference, and this entails additional time away from home. A member must be able to travel at least twice a year to chapters outside her home district and to attend Leadership and Officers' Conference and Grand Convention.

In addition she will be called upon to accept special assignments as directed by the Grand President, such as representing Kappa Alpha Theta at interfraternity or educational meetings, assisting with extension, installation of new chapters, or occasional special visits to additional chapters.

Work on Grand Council is volunteer service to the fraternity, but travel and other necessary expenses of Council members are paid by the fraternity.

Qualifications for Grand Council Service

A person considered for national office should be able to express herself clearly and well, to prepare reports and manual materials. Because of the volume of work, she should be able to type. She should be poised and mature, tactful, able to speak before groups, and have demonstrated leadership ability.

Nothing in our laws requires experience as a district officer as a qualification for Grand Council. However, because district officers have a broad background of fraternity knowledge and experience, almost all Council members are drawn from among those who have served as district presidents. All nominees must be college graduates. For some positions business experience is helpful.

A Council member's family must be able and willing to share her with the fraternity.

Would it seem to be a difficult task to find women who meet these high qualifications? Not when we remember that Kappa Alpha Theta is dedicated to the education of women and the development of the individual, from the time of pledging throughout life.

It is the privilege and responsibility of alumnæ chapters, clubs, and college chapters, and individual Thetas to call attention of the Nominating Committee to Thetas who meet these qualifications.

Please send your recommendations no later than May 1, 1980 to Virginia Chain Schmid (Mrs. Marvin G.), 10134 Fieldcrest Drive, Omaha, Nebraska 68114.

RECOMMENDATION FOR GRAND COUNCIL

College chapters, alumnae chapters, alumnae clubs, and individual members of Kappa Alpha Theta are eligible to submit recommendations for consideration by the Nominating Committee. One recommendation, endorsed by a college chapter or an alumnae chapter or club, represents all its members. Therefore, recommendations from individual members of those groups are not necessary.

A Kappa Alpha Theta biographical form—to be filled out and returned—will be sent by the chairman of the Nominating Committee to each Theta recommended for Grand Council.

After careful consideration of all recommendations, a slate will be prepared from those names received and will be presented to the Grand Convention for election.

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Send this form to the Nominating Committee Chairman:

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Alcohol

The No. 1 Campus Problem Theta Collegians are Ready to Handle it

It's not news that the use of alcohol by students is the leading campus problem today. But what is new to the campus life-style that has been around for a long time, is the realization that alcohol abuse has serious long-term ramifications, that it is a threat to the prestige of the Greek-system, and that efforts are being made to deal with the problem of student drinking.

Here are some of the statistics which haunt administrators and cause great concern among any group responsible for the well-being of college students: a University of Minnesota survey revealed that alcohol use had increased 25% in the past 10 years. Eight out of 10 freshmen said they were current users of alcohol with 7% drinking daily. Newsweek reported that "Taking a drink is virtually a rite of passage for adolescents, but while kids once drank for kicks and because it seemed cool, alarming numbers now frankly set out to stupify themselves." Montana State University surveyed 900 students, faculty, administrators, and some community leaders and found that 50% were "somewhat likely, likely, or very likely" to drink primarily to get drunk. Drinking is heaviest among young people in the Northeast and West Coast, but the Midwest and South are trying hard to catch up. The average age at which children begin drinking dropped from 13.6 years in 1965 to 12.9 in 1975.

How does all this effect Theta collegians individually, and Theta chapters? Theta has certain rules and regulations regarding alcohol. We also care about each other and want the very best for each of our sisters. Studies show that many lifetime drinking problems originate in college. The largest incidence of alcoholism and other problem drinking behaviors occurs in young men in their 20's. The rates among young women are increasing at an alarming pace.

New Twist

It is looked upon as inconsiderate nowadays to ignore the fact that someone you know and care about has a drinking problem. Experts in the field urge you to get involved. Effective help at a critical time could make the difference in a friend's future.

At Leadership Conference in June chapter presidents drafted a code for responsible drinking which takes into account state laws and fraternity regulations.

The need for collegians to draft their own approach to handling the problem which would be acceptable to all chapters was underscored by a survey of campus drinking patterns taken by the Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine last spring. The answers to the question, "What type of social activities are usually planned around the consumption of alcohol?" left no doubt that drinking some form of alcohol is the common denominator of social life — spontaneous or planned. Thirty-two types of social activities were listed as involving drinking. Not every type of event of course takes place on every campus, but for the non-drinking student, the chance of finding a social situation congenial to his preference and convictions is pretty slim, if you're a Greek.

With more than half the chapters responding to the questionnaire, 41 reported that alcohol was usually used at social events, 10 reported that alcohol was served at all Greek social events and two chapters reported that it was seldom served.

Thirty-five chapters felt that peer pressure accounts for high percentage of alcohol users among college students. The peer pressure cause was discounted by 15 chapters.

Only five chapters felt that the new emphasis on physical fitness had any effect toward a diminishing use of alcohol.

Panhellenics on 15 campuses can be credited with the beginnings of a counter-movement - - educational programs designed to give the true facts of the effects of alcohol abuse and to encourage the student to responsible use of alcohol. In some instances, the effort was joined by the Interfraternity Council. Theta chapters at Iowa State, UC-Santa Barbara, Texas Tech, and Alabama held in-chapter programs.

Code Reflects Legal Responsibility

Basic facts considered in the Code for Responsible Drinking were the question of legality and liability, and a concern for the individual. Theta laws begin with the assumption that we must abide by state laws. Every state has its legal drinking age and it is up to Thetas to see that we do not provide liquor for anyone under this legal age. If we do, we are criminally liable. In 47 states, if you provide the alcohol you are responsible for the accidents caused by that alcohol. We may also be held indirectly responsible. Chapters, the fraternity and individual chapter officers can be held indirectly responsible in the case of an accident, if we have taken no positive action to prevent it. The Code for Responsible Drinking is a positive step chapters can take to support fraternity law and policy at the local level. It also supports a philosophy of moderation whereby their actions demonstrate a pride and commitment to excellence in all endeavors, a desire to be true to the ideals and purposes of the fraternity, and may indeed be the greatest influence for good.

Concern for each other and the effects of their decisions regarding alcohol on the younger members played a prominent role in drafting this statement which could be a landmark policy implementation for college chapters.

Together the chapter presidents created a Code which they presented to their chapter this fall and said, "We wrote it. This is Kappa Alpha Theta's statement on alcohol. It's for all of us."

the kegger

Photo by Susan Fleck, Delta Sigma



RESPONSIBLE DRINKING For Thetas

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHAPTER:

- ...Respect the individual's responsible decision about alcohol, especially the decision not to drink.
- ... Recognize that social acceptability does not require drinking.
- ...Do not make alcohol the sole purpose or focus of Theta functions. Provide entertainment or participatory activities such as dancing, roller skating, sports, etc.
- ...Recognize that drunkenness is neither funny nor attractive. Do not encourage a problem drinker by making him/her feel a hero or the center of attention.
- ...Plan safe transportation for those who may drink too much.
- ... Obey the law. Do not serve minors or continue to serve those who have had too much to drink. Each member is responsible for her date.
- ...Be concerned for your sisters. Recognize problem drinkers or drinkers with problems and see that they get appropriate help.
- ... Establish a concrete standards policy for dealing with drinking problems.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE INDIVIDUAL:

- ...Don't drink because of peer pressure. If you choose to drink, do so maturely and know your limit.
- ... Try to set a good example. Your behavior and attitudes influence others, especially younger members and pledges.
- ...Recognize that the use of alcohol to cope with problems does not solve the problem and is high risk behavior.
- ... Avoid driving a car while under the influence of alcohol.
- ... Be aware of the condition of the driver with whom you are riding.
- ...Be particularly cautious about consuming alcohol when taking other drugs or medication.
- . . . Remember, your actions do reflect on other Thetas.

"Patterns of drinking which are established during college years tend to remain throughout life."

- 1. Anyone who must drink to function or to cope with life has a drinking problem.
- 2. Anyone who by his or her personal definition, or that of his family and friends, frequently drinks to a state of intoxication has a drinking problem.
- 3. Anyone who is intoxicated while driving a car has a drinking problem.
- 4. Anyone who sustains a bodily injury which requires medical attention as a consequence of an intoxicated state has a drinking problem.
- 5. Anyone who under the influence of alcohol does

- something he avows he would never have done without alcohol, has a drinking problem.
- 6. Anyone who comes into conflict with the law as a consequence of an intoxicated state has a drinking problem.

In short, a drinking problem exists if we need alcohol in order to function, or if we use alcohol in such a way that it impairs our functioning.

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What College Administrators Are Doing About the Problem

Alcohol abuse has returned to the top of the pile of behavioral problems surrounding academia. Alcohol, the beverage for all occasions has set the stage for a resurgence of educational programs on alcoholic awareness.

Purdue's Committee on Drug Use and Abuse is made up of representatives of the residence halls' administration, Department of Safety and Security, Office of the Dean of Students, and faculty and student representatives. Assistant Dean of Students, Thomas McHenry says Purdue's concern over the issue of alcohol use is warranted, since 80% of all college students drink. One of Dean McHenry's major concerns is: "Will the individual who develops an unhealthy relationship with alcohol within the sheltered, more permissive environment of the college community, enter the working world to find he or she is unable to meet the professional expectation of employers?

Brown University has appointed an associate dean with special responsibilities in the areas of alcohol and other chemical dependencies.

At the University of North Carolina, Kenneth C. Mills is director of the alcohol-education service which utilizes an education and alcohol awareness program, "designed to influence an alcohol user before he shows evidence of alcohol problems," referral programs and treatment.

Pennsylvania State University Office of Student affairs sent An Open Letter to The Greek Community expressing concern over serious incidents caused by alcohol use by students.

An alcohol awareness program has been developed at Ohio State. Barbara J. Tootle, the Coordinator for Greek Affairs there told fraternity and sorority leaders, "The ball is in your court to develop a policy on alcohol for chapters."

Montana State University's Alcohol Task Force has distributed a pamphlet Could it be You? with the intent of calling attention to telltale signs of the problem drinker.

Dr. David P. Kraft, director of mental-health services at the University of Massachusetts, has been called a "superstar" in the field of alcohol education. In the last year of a five year federally financed "Demonstration Alcohol Education Project" to develop and evaluate methods of educating students about the responsible use of alcohol, the plan has demonstrated success in raising the level of awareness about alcohol and alcohol abuse.

Alumnae Chapter President Speaks with Authority

President of the Santa Barbara Alumnæ Chapter Susanne McEwen is a member of the Board of Directors of the National Council on Alcoholism. She has provided the Magazine with authoritative statistics compiled by Dr. William Madsen, author of the American Alcoholic and professor of anthropology at the University of California at Santa Barbara.

Dr. Madsen's most recent survey revealed that 87% of all college students drink regularly. That would confirm most observations of the campus social scene. Of greater concern is that 16% of these students get drunk on a regular basis. Three to four percent of these students are overt alcoholics and that percentage computed on the college enrollment translates into alarming proportions in future problems.

Personal accounts excerpted from papers assigned to an undergraduate anthropology class at the University of California-Santa Barbara reinforce the prevailing student attitudes:

"High school and college seem to be the times when people start to use alcohol. I started drinking in high school probably because most of my friends did. Now in college it seems to me that more people drink more."

"Living on campus my freshman year exposed me to numerous activities revolving around alcohol . . . every single party I attended included drinking. Often games are played to challenge your peers as well as yourself into getting as drunk as possible."

These two responses are typical of the many received. Continuing the statistics, Dr. Madsen found that 56% of the students combine alcohol with drugs occasionally.

8% do not drink but use other drugs.

27% feel their parents drink too much or have difficulty with alcohol.

1% are interested in a counseling program because of their own problems.

15% are interested in counseling to better understand and relate to alcoholic friends and family.

"These statistics are mere indication of the problem," Susanne McEwen says. "To review them is depressing, to ignore them is naïve.

"All authorities express alarm in the fast growing numbers of alcoholics and alcohol related problems. Drinking in our society is a major part of the social scene. Until all who partake in this form of relaxation and entertainment understand its ramifications, alcohol will abuse its partakers.

"Education is the only way to control this lethal drug. Group identity and acceptance need not revolve around alcohol. The reaffirmation of prohibiting alcohol in our chapter houses was a wise decision. This ruling must now be made more viable by facing the issue head on. If we need to drink in order to cope and enjoy ourselves, we need to rethink our aspirations of high ideals."

ALUMNÆ ARE ALSO SPONSORING PROGRAMS ON ALCOHOLISM

Pasadena Leads the Way

The following article is based on excerpts from a story by Belinda Busteed, Pasadena Star News.

The setting was an elegant San Marino home with a view from the sitting area to a green terraced garden beyond.

Kappa Alpha Theta alumnæ of Pasadena had pulled up folding chairs after a salad bar luncheon to listen to the day's program.

Some probably didn't know what they were getting into: first person stories on alcoholism—stories of lives almost ruined, of staggering to bed at night after drinking, of being drunk when a friend came by to go to a special meeting, of lying about drinking to family members, of covering up for a husband who couldn't make it to work.

The speakers were sorority alumnæ—a Theta, a Kappa, a Chi Omega and a Pi Phi—indistinguishable from the other women who had just finished dessert and coffee.

Indistinguishable, perhaps, except for the fact they had the apple juice and not the wine during the social hour.

"You may not even know that you have alcoholism close to you because it is so camouflaged," began the first speaker revealing to her sisters for the first time that she was a recovered alcoholic.

"The odds are that in this room one in 10 of you is alcoholic and that each of you knows someone who is alcoholic," she continued.

The panelists did not spare the details of their sad stories with happy endings.

One recovered alcoholic told the group, "If alcohol is interferring in any area of your life on a continuing basis, or if you are drunk when you don't want to be, you may be an alcoholic."

"Confront your friends, don't sweep their drinking under the carpet," one panelist implored her listeners. Others echoed her sentiment recounting their own difficulty in summoning courage to confront a friend.

All the women indicated that they ended up better off in the long run for having had the problem to meet. "It was bad let me tell you" said one, "but I'm way ahead of the game now."

"Listen to the similarities rather than the differences in these stories. Listen to the feelings," urged one speaker, aware from her own experience that an alcoholic wants less than anything to admit his problem.

One of the similarities that surfaced at this discussion of sorority women, ironically was that college had been the preparatory school for them. That's the fact of life that's hurting, that's threatening the future of today's students who use and abuse alcohol.



Pasadena alumnæ offer choice of juice or wine at social functions. Star News photo.



WELCOME THE NEW, CHERISH THE OLD VOLUNTEERS

by William A. Butler, Jr. Executive Director, Delta Upsilon

Just the other day I was reading Erma Bombeck's column on volunteerism in our society. It struck me as being a timely subject.

There was never a chapter that suffered from too much alumni support, most suffer from too little. Alumni support in the pocketbook is important to keep the roof repaired, the furniture in good condition from the heavy use; but even more valuable and priceless is the alumnus who gives of himself in addition, as a counselor, as an advisor, corporation officer, in any one of a thousand tasks.

Every single one of us in the fraternity is the inheritor of a rich legacy of tradition, achievement and accomplishment, provided by those who have gone before us. The fraternity system, your Delta Upsilon chapter and the entire idea of fraternity is a fragile one, and it can be enhanced, prserved and improved in this current generation only as a result of the continuing influx of new volunteer efforts.

We particularly cherish the volunteers who have given and continue to give their time year, after year, to make Delta Upsilon what it is and can become. To each of them we owe a debt of gratitude that is boundless.

These senior stalwarts provide a real inspiration and a track record that is envied and admired by all who come in contact with their work.

There is nothing very exciting about working out the problems connected with operating a fraternity chapter in grave economic troubles, or one that has lost its sense of balance or direction. That is hard work in the trenches, and it is often met by resisting, persistent opposition. But let that same chapter achieve some real success, let their rushing be great as a result of consistent, persistent advice from an alumnus, and you know the satisfaction of helping at a most critical time in the lives of college men.

Some college students today can go through their entire four undergraduate years and never have a conversation with a faculty member. Some will hardly ever get to know a great professor on a personal basis. All can know and benefit from the mature advice and counsel provided by alumni counselors.

To the older, continuing volunteer leaders of Delta Upsilon we owe much. To the new, younger generation, we say enjoy the challenges, the opportunities and the satisfaction that can come from helping build tomorrow's leaders.

from the Delta Upsilon Quarterly

Dear Mrs. Fitz,

On our return from an autumn holiday in Canada, it was a great pleasure to receive from you and from the Grand Council, congratulations and the beautiful little gold pansy pin to mark my fiftieth year in Theta. Can it really be half a century? I expect that most recipients ask that qusetion, and then feel as I do, a great sense of pride and loyalty, and also gratitude for the friendships which have lasted over so many years. We hope to visit Toronto in June 1979 when it will be a great pleasure to be with my Sigma sisters again, and proudly to wear my pin. To you, and to Grand Council, I send my warmest thanks for this very kind and much cherished gift.

Loyally in Theta M. Eileen Stevenson County Armagh, N. Ireland

Dear Sisters.

I was so delighted to get the beautiful pansy pin as a symbol of my belonging to Theta for 50 years. What a long time since we, from Chi Psi Delta became Beta Tau of Kappa Alpha Theta. Thank you very much.

I still think of my years in a sorority as an added bonus of my college days. I gained so much from those friendships for they gave me confidence in myself. Maybe not all new college girls need that, but I did. The friendships continue through life and how much that means as the years roll on.

Sincerely, Cornelia H. Lott

Dear Mrs. Fitz,

I can't tell you how delighted I was to receive today the charming pansy pin as a remembrance of the fiftieth anniversary of my initiation into Kappa Alpha Theta.

I recall nothing but the most pleasant memories and gratitude for wonderful Theta friends, and my pride in the house in Berkeley where I had so many exciting times, as well as in my affiliation with the fraternity as a whole.

Please convey my thanks to the Grand Council for its thoughtfulness.

My very best wishes to you all.

Loyally in Theta, Helen Hull Jacobs

Dear Mrs. Fitz,

The arrival of the fifty year pin was a happy surprise and a special pleasure for me because it came just as the Theta chapter on the Stanford campus is to be reinstated and to be called Phi deuteron,

As a Phi (Stanford) Theta I am joyous that the dark years, when sororities were banned at Stanford, are past. Please convey my appreciation for the charming pansy pin to the members of Grand Council.

> Loyally in Theta, Anita Utt Muhs

Dear Theta Friends,

Nothing in recent years has brought to me the joy and sheer delight that receiving that precious pansy pin brought to me today. It indeed did bring back many, many happy Theta memories and again made me realize how proud and grateful I have always been to be a Theta.

Thank you for this dainty reminder of my Theta affiliation for lo, these fifty years and rest assured I will be wearing it often and so proudly.

Thank you so very much for such a lovely idea.

Loyally in Theta,

Louise Phelps Byers, Alpha Lambda

Dear Sisters,

Thank you for this lovely little pansy pin in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of my initiation into the fraternity of which I've always been proud and through which I have many cherished friendships.

It's a lovely gesture for the Grand Council to send such greetings and dear visible reminders of "ties that bind," of shared aims, loyalties and purposes through these many years.

May I mention that I was particularly pleased and gratified that the Grand Convention again voted down "by an overwhelming majority" proposals to allow visitation by men in the private areas of chapter houses. Of even greater thanksgiving for me was the denial of permission to possess and use alcohol in chapter houses. May the Kite always fly high!

Congratulations and thanks to the many who are actively working to preserve and better beloved Kappa Alpha Theta.

Gratefully, Elsie Rogers Smith, Beta Tau

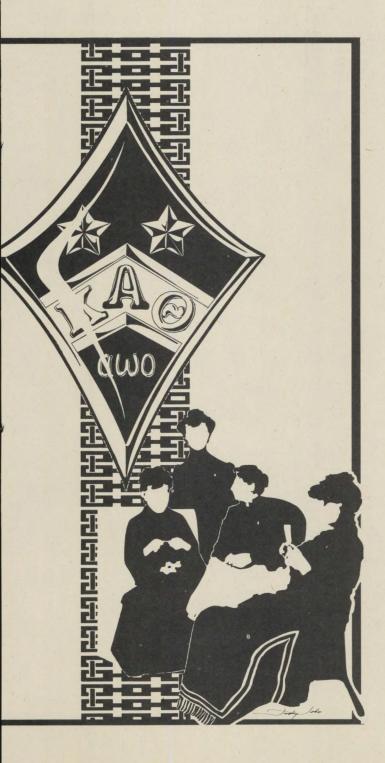
Dear Thetas,

Thank you for the lovely pansy pin. I was stunned to receive it and realize that it was, indeed, fifty years since I'd been initiated at Syracuse. I can hardly believe it, especially since, the preceding week, I'd just won a local tennis tournament, competing with gals from twenty to (horrors!) fifty years younger, but not thinking much about it since I usually place with younger people. Somehow, I can hardly reconcile the two happenings.

Anyway I'm thankful to be in good health and shall enjoy wearing the darling pin, as I've already been doing. It's such a nice idea and greatly appreciated. Just last year I recommended a lovely girl to the Theta chapter in Georgia, and learned, to my pleasure that she had been pledged. I just wish we had more local Thetas, but know of only three in the Wilkes Barre area besides myself. We all treasure our Theta friendships and memories.

Again, my thanks, and always best wishes for the fraternity.

Loyally in Theta, Betty Hopkins Moses



75 YEAR THETAS WRITE

Letters from Thetas upon receiving their 50 year pins are on the opposite page. The artwork depicting the founders is by Judy Jobe, Beta Zeta chapter, Oklahoma State.

Dear Mrs. Fitz:

I wish to thank you belatedly for the exquisite seventy-five year membership pansy pin. It is very lovely and I am delighted to have been remembered.

My reason for belated thanks . . . I was in the hospital all summer, two major surgeries and at the age of

93 you do not spring back soon or easily.

I would like to add a note of interest—at least to me. It was my privilege as a freshman at DePauw—spring of '04 to have attended the beautiful church wedding of Alice Brant's daughter. I was in school at the same time as Eula Hamilton, Bettie Locke's daughter, a lovely bond, she was a freshman when I was a senior. I thought you might enjoy the reminiscing.

Again many thanks for the beautiful pin and in re-

membrance of dear Kappa Alpha Theta.

Frances Haycock

Dear Mrs. Fitz,

The precious little package has just been opened, and I am overwhelmed with memories at the sight of the beautiful pansy which reminds me of my initiation into Tau chapter in 1902. Your letter was heartwarming. No girl was ever happier at being chosen, and down through the years the friendships have meant more and more. Now the closely-knit Harrisburg Theta family (our alumnæ group) gives daily interest and participation to an armchair adventuress who shares their lives and marvels at their courageous outreach. My thanks go to my beloved fraternity for their recognition of this coming anniversary, and for the mutual trust which began so long ago.

Edith Brownell Harrison

Dear Mrs. Fitz:

I received your letter with enclosure a few days ago. I wish to thank you and the Grand Council for honoring my 75th year in Theta. My membership in Kappa Alpha Theta has been a source of pride and pleasure many times. The special gift box contains a delightful surprise in the lovely little emblem for this occasion. As it happened, the day of arrival a friend of long standing who also is a Theta was here. Mrs. Willie Clary Gough was ADP of District XV. She pinned the emblem on my left front so the honor was properly conferred upon me. I do appreciate this very much and shall wear it with pride and pleasure. I thank you. Too long a span, but on the whole have very good health . . . the only casualty, I am blind.

Thank you again for so honoring my years.

Very sincerely, Helen Havens Baldwin, Kappa chapter

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Mrs. Leon D. Batchelor (Florence Brown) 2953 Rockhill Way Riverside, CA 92506 Psi 3/11/05

Mildred Brown 2700 W. 44th St., Apt. 211 Minneapolis, MN 55410 Upsilon 10/8/04

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Julia F. Evans 509 S. 9th Ave. Maywood, IL 60153 Tau 10/29/04

Mrs. Talbot P. Grubbe (Mable Steele) Central Park Lodge No. 2 10 William Morgan Drive Toronto, ON Canada M4H 1E7 Sigma 6/3/05

Emma Hausman 461 W. 7th Street Erie, PA 16502 Mu 11/26/04

Mrs. Charlotte S. Hince (Charlotte Stone)
P.O. Box 422
Hardwick, VT 05843
Lambda 3/28/05

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Mrs. Willard Smith (Ethel Sabin) PEO Home 5203 Alum Rock San Jose, CA 95127 Psi 3/11/05

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Judge Sarah Dickinson Grant, Delta Epsilon

Greek Sing was a happy occasion for Thetas at Carnegie-Mellon University. The Gamma Theta chapter, directed by Nancy Redard, captured the first place trophy in the women's division. Before a record-breaking crowd, they sang selections from The Sound of Music. Nancy, a junior voice major, also helped direct the trophy winner in the men's division, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, singing songs from the musical 1776. The event was a sell out and the Thetas sold the greatest number of tickets among the Greek organizations. Proceeds totaling over \$1000, benefitted the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. Rosemary Sisson co-chaired the event. Leslie Weiser

A memorial scholarship has been established by the family and friends of Elizabeth Newman MacDonough a charter member of Delta Phi chapter at Clemson.

The first recipient was Margaret Lee McManus, chosen last April on the basis of sorority leadership and loyalty, scholarship, and activities at Clemson University.

Lee McManus is a member of Mortar Board, Central Spirit, vice-president of Student Alumni Council, and the Student Government Public Relations Committee at Clemson, A Theta legacy, she held the office of rush chairman.

"Bettie" MacDonough was scholarship advisor for Delta Phi chapter and president of the Delta Phi House Corporation. She died in September 1978. The scholarship will be awarded annually to a most deserving member of the Theta chapter at Clemson.

Frances Ely

Superior Court Judgeship For Arizona State Theta

Sarah Dickinson Grant, Delta Epsilon, Arizona State, was sworn in as a Superior Court judge in Maricopa County, Arizona last May.

At the time of the swearing in ceremony, John P. Frank of the Arizona Bar gave a resume of Sarah Grant's legal career and also took note of her western heritage. She was born in Kansas and received her high school education in Austin, Texas. John Frank remarked that her roots are truly of the West. Her greatgrandfather was the president of the Union Pacific Railroad when the transcontinental line was built. Her maternal grandfather was president of Overland Greyhound.

Sarah Grant attended Arizona State University and then went to U.C.L.A. where she received a degree in psychology, and then became a medical case worker at the Los Angeles County Harbor General Hospital.

When the Arizona State Law School was founded, Sarah Grant returned, entering its first class. She interrupted her law studies in Arizona to attend the London School of Law where she achieved academic distinction. She received her law degree from ASU in 1970 and is the first graduate of that school to become a Superior Court judge.

She practiced law in a Phoenix firm for several years, then joined the staff of the Arizona Supreme Court where she became chief staff attorney. Sarah Grant was a founder and first president of the National Council of State Attorneys. She made important contributions in her work on Arizona Rules of Criminal Procedures and worked as a special consultant to the State of Alabama on its criminal rules.

She and her husband, also an attorney have two daughters. In extracurricular activities, a serious interest in archeology, and collecting the art work of Lew Davis rounds out a very full life. Her mother, Mary Louise Motz Dickinson, is a Theta from Beta Kappa chapter at Drake, and active member of the Austin Alumnæ chapter. She has a Theta sister Anne Dickinson Davidson, Alpha Theta, Texas.

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Beta Omicron Thetas serving dinner at a fraternity house.

Iowa Thetas Find Fraternity Men Good Tippers

Beta Omicron Thetas earned \$475 for charity by waiting on tables!

Groups of Thetas went to each fraternity house at the University of Iowa, served each man his dinner and received tips for their efforts. The women also entertained the men with an original skit or song after dinner.

Two hundred dollars was given to the chapter's Logopedic project. The remaining money went to the chapter's foster child and her family in Tomaco, Colombia. The project had not been done on the campus before and the fraternities enthusiastically participated. We are hoping to make it an annual event.

One night out from studying didn't hurt the Beta Omicron grade point average. It was the highest of all Greek groups on campus.

Jeanne Johnson, editor



Patty Valois, Delta Theta enters male-dominated field.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR - A FIRST

Patricia Clarke Valois, Delta Theta, Florida will put her talent for organizing groups of people and getting them to do what they are supposed to do, to good use as the marshal at Grand Convention. At Convention she will be working with women . . . Thetas of all ages. In her regular life she is adjusting nicely to a maledominated world which she has entered with respect and distinction . . . the school athletic director. She is the only woman to serve as an athletic director for a private school in the State of Florida. At Deerborne High School, a coeducational Class A school in Coral Gables, she coaches girls sports as well as directing the overall athletic program.

When she was hired as a coach and teacher in 1974, Deerborne's athletic program was a shambles with only one varsity sport (basketball) and no sports program for girls. Patty started a coed program. For the first time in the school's history, a girl's team qualified for the state playoffs. With the girls program headed in the right direction, Patty is intent on building the Deerborn athletic program into an all-around success. "My goal is to get as many kids involved in our program as possible," says Patty.

What started out to be a fund raising experiment turned into a smashing success. The members of the Annapolis-Serverna Park Alumnæ Club decided to hold a silent auction with a donation to the Foundation in mind. Everyone brought something. An attic treasure, a piece of handiwork, baked goods, jams, jewelry, plants, books, paintings and little used items that someone else might like to have, and lots more filled several tables.

The members carefully scrutinized the collection and submitted bids in writing under each article. The bids were incredible! When it was all over they had \$187.77 for the Foundation.

Mary Ruth Jefferies

Discovering a National Sisterhood

by Connie Marshall, Chi

Nervously I brushed back my bangs off my damp forehead, and wiped away the beads of sweat that had formed above my lip. My shirt was tucked in; were my pants straight? Everything was in order; there were no more reasons left to procrastinate. I clutched my purse to my stomach, drew in a deep breath, and rang the bell. There I stood, under the stone archway of this looming sorority house. Images of critical, un-interested beauties milling about inside filled my mind. Or what if they were all aeronautical engineering majors who wore three-inch thick, black horn-rimmed glasses, and went to bed promptly at nine every night?

No one was coming. Maybe I should just turn around and leave. The late summer's heat was making me uncomfortable and anxious. Determined, I stretched out my arm again, pressing the bell a little harder this time. Cautiously, I laid my ear against the door, straining to hear a bell or sounds of life, I imagined someone opening the door at this moment and myself falling clumsily into the house. Quickly, I stood straight. I tried knocking. No response. Maybe they were in a rush meeting. I tried once more. As my knuckles rapped against the yellow glass pane, the heavy wooden door swung open. On the other side stood a tall, slender blonde with beautiful blue eves and matching silk shirt. She gasped. We both looked startled.

"Can I help you?" she asked. I smiled nervously.

"Yes. I'm a Theta from Butler University and I've just transferred here. I thought I'd stop by to see the house."

"Um . . . sure," she said hesitantly. I had obviously caught her at a bad moment. With books in hand, I ventured that she was off someplace in a hurry. She proceeded to take me on a tour of the house, introducing me to girls whose names I couldn't remember. It was like going through rush all over again. The blonde who led me through the house invited me back to dinner the next night. Only one point was overlooked—she forgot to tell me her name. When I arrived the next night she was nowhere to be foundand naturally, no one knew who I was. But the sisters' friendliness and hospitality greeted me anyway. I found that they were not uninteresting beauties, nor aerospace majors with thick glasses. Each one was very individual, and the absence of a house "reputation" or stereotype was a relief. The atmosphere was one of relaxation and comfort. Tall girls, short girls, quiet and talkative girls buzzed by, flashing white smiles through summer tans.

Now, in the midst of swirling, subzero blizzards and winter-whitened skin, the girls still come home with smiles on their faces and love in their hearts-and I do too.

Connie Marshall is now a Chi, having affiliated. She is also the vice-president efficiency and we love her! the sisters of Chi.



Connie Marshall, Chi, Syracuse

Sally G. Tinkham, Eta, Michigan has been named a senior account executive of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith at the Houston office of the investment firm. The title "Senior Account Executive" indicates that a securities salesman has risen to a position of pre-eminence in the Merrill Lynch sales force according to Norman Utz, Vice President.

Deborah London Wright, Beta Rho, Duke has been ordained in the ministry of the United Presbyterian Church at a ceremony which took place at San Anselmo, CA in June.

Fraternity Given Letter by Friend of Founder

The Washington, D.C. 1978 Founders' Day luncheon provided the setting for a gift to the Fraternity of a letter written by Bettie Locke Hamilton to Mary Scott in 1933. Mary Scott, a member of Alpha, graduated from DePauw in 1916 and was a friend of Mrs. Hamilton in Greencastle. The letter was a Founders' Day greeting to Honolulu Thetas at the time Mary Scott lived there. Also present for the ceremony was Carol Cones, great granddaughter of Bettie Locke Hamilton who now lives in Washington. Also a member of Alpha, Carol Cones was the chapter president in 1970, 100 years after it was founded by her great grandmother.

EMORY CHAPTER POINTS WITH PRIDE



Judy Cotton



Ann Dunlap



Celia Gulbenk

Members of the 1979 senior class at Delta Zeta, Emory University are outstanding young women with high anticipation for exciting lives ahead. Three of Delta Zeta's graduates in particular have been recognized for their involvement in chapter activities as well as in various endeavors on the Emory campus.

One of the exceptional new graduates is Ann Dunlap. Ann has received many honors and awards for her outstanding scholarship. She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board, Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science honorary, Alpha Epsilon Upsilon, undergraduate honorary, and the College Register. As a senior Ann participated in the BA/MA program in political science. Graduating summa cum laude, she has a cumulative 3.93 grade point average.

In Delta Zeta chapter Ann served as vice-president, pledge education, scholarship chairman, songleader and pledge class president as well as receiving the Outstanding Pledge Award.

On campus Ann sang in the Emory Women's Chorale and served as its business manager. She was also a member of the Emory Chamber singers and a member of the Awareness Committee and Traffic Appeals Board.

Ann is in her first year of Law School at the University of Virginia.

This article is a voluntary contribution by Delta Zeta chapter editor Caroline McLain. Chapters are invited to submit articles on outstanding members and events in the chapter or on the campus. A fourth member of Delta Zeta, Nancy Webb was selected as a traveling consultant and an article on her will appear later.

Another notable Delta Zeta '79 graduate, Celia Gulbenk, has been singled out for her academic and leadership achievements. Celia served as secretary of Mortar Board and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Her name was on the Dean's List every quarter Celia was at Emory. She is a member of Omicron Delta Kappa, leadership honorary as well as Emory's Honor Council. She was a resident adviser for two years, and served as editor of the Resident Women's Association newsletter.

For Delta Zeta Celia was one of the most active sportswomen, playing on the volleyball, softball and basketball teams. She was also marshall and chaplain for the chapter.

Celia Gulbenk's future plans include Vanderbilt Medical School in her hometown, Nashville. Delta Zeta's third standout, Judy Cotton, has a leadership record that cannot be overlooked. In dorm life, Judy served as a resident adviser for two years, president of the campus dorms and Resident Women's Association President last year. She is indeed a worthy member of Omicron Delta Kappa, leadership honorary. Mortar Board and Emory Senior Honor Society round out her activities.

Judy plans to work next year in her field of interest, psychology, with a goal of eventually attending graduate school in psychology.

These young women are a credit to Delta Zeta as well as to all Thetas nationwide!

INTRODUCING



Millie McVey



Sue Sheets

Millie Jenkins McVey began her duties as College District President this fall. She will supervise the five chapters in Ohio, District X.

A member of Alpha Gamma chapter, Ohio State University, Millie has been active in alumnæ work since college days, serving as treasurer, and then president of the Columbus Alumnæ Chapter.

Millie says, "Theta was the starting point and training ground for many of the positions I've held in volunteer groups over the past 13 years." Those activities include treasurer of the Childhood League Center, member of the Governing Board of the First Community Church, Junior League, Buckeye Boys' Ranch, as well as room mother at the junior and senior high school for her children Vicki, Tom and Susan.

Sewing is Millie's greatest "love and frustration." Family sightseeing vacation, tennis and reading claim what's left of her time. Husband Larry is in the insurance business.

College District President XVIII—Sue Blair Sheets, Delray Beach, Florida, is a Delta Theta initiate at the University of Florida where she received her B.A. degree. After graduation she moved to Atlanta where she served on the Advisory Board at Emory University. Moving to Delray Beach in 1975 Sue entered the real estate business and is president of susan m. blair and associates, real estate brokerage firm. For the past two years Sue has served as president of the Delray Beach Alumnæ Club and for four years has been RRB chairman for her area. Sue's husband Carleton, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Ohio Wesleyan, is a national lecturer in the real estate field. Interests include community theatre, riding, skiing and travel. Two step children, one dog, a 26 year old horse take up the slack in her life and if that's not enough she recently started an interior landscaping company!

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Marilyn and John Cantwell pictured in the Himalayas. One of their Sherpa guides is in the background.

HIMALAYA TRFK

This article was written by Marilyn Moore Cantwell, Tau, Northwestern. She and her husband Dr. John Cantwell, a graduate of Northwestern Medical School live in Atlanta with their three children. Marilyn is the Advisory Board Chairman for Delta Zeta chapter at Emory University.

Through the windows of the airplane one could scan practically the whole Himalayan range—all 1,250 miles of it—and finally Everest herself, a triangle of black granite with a plume of snow and cloud, peering over the ridge of Nuptse. Our goal was to reach the base camp of Everest and to climb Mt. Kala Patar, elevation 18,000 feet.

It began during a casual conversation with architect Herb Lembcke and his wife, Barbara, when we discovered the latter shared my husband's long-time ambition, that of visiting Nepal, land of the Sherpas, eight of the world's 10 highest mountain peaks, and the exotic capital city of Kathmandu. In short, the land of Sangri La, direct from Hilton's Lost Horizon.

I agreed to go along, although I had never camped. My hiking experience was limited to a trip up Mt. La-Conte, a 5,000-ft. "mountain" near Gatlinburg, TN. Fortunately, I had been an off-an-on jogger for the

past 10 years. I increased my mileage to five per day and completed a half-marathon two months before our trek.

Nepal

Nepal is about the size and shape of Tennessee, but has a population of 12 million scattered throughout its mountainous terrain. It is the birth place of Lord Buddha (563 B.C.). The country had various ruling tribes until the Malla dynasty held forth from the 12th to the 18th centuries, when Prithvi Shah, a Gurkha leader, united the kingdom in 1756. The Shahs reigned until the Kot massacre of 1848, when the Ranas came to power and closed the kingdom to outsiders until 1950, when the Shah dynasty was reinstated.

Kathmandu, the capital and principal city of Nepal, has a population of 200,000. The city bustles with market vendors, rickshaw drivers, sacred cows and monkeys, and a blend of Hindus and Buddhists.

We established headquarters in Kathmandu at the Yak and Keti, a first-rate hotel, a renovated Rana palace and got our final treking briefing from Mountain Travel, Inc. We met our sidar (head Sherpa), 29 year old Nima Tsering, a veteran of the 1971 International Expedition to Everest.

The Trek

We flew from Kathmandu to Lukla on a Royal Nepal mountain plane, seating 16 passengers and geared to short runways. The sky was clear and the view magnificent, with hiking trails snaking their way up, down, and around the peaks and valleys. Suddenly the airstrip at Lukla was visible, a one-fifth of a mile runway carved out of the mountainside by Sir Edmund Hillary, the New Zealander who first conquered Everest.

We were met by our team of 20 porters, four Sherpas and soon were on our 11 day trek to and from the

Everest base camp.

Our Sherpas included Tenzing, age 32, and Ang Rita, a 19 year-old son of Hillary's sidar, a part-time college student in Kathmandu whose education was being financed by Hillary himself. Ang to me represented the new breed of Sherpa, anxious to sample more of the swinging life in Kathmandu, unhappy with the isolation and simplicity of the typical Sherpa existence. I hate to see this change, in a way for the lifestyle of the present Sherpas has a lot going for it. As Hillary summarized:

> In Nepal the tempo is slower. As you walk, the body gets strong; the mind has time to dwell on the beauties of nature and gain refreshment; you meet the local people, the Sherpas and enjoy their cheerful friendliness and admire their toughness and strength.

Bed tea was served in our tents at 6 a.m. After breakfast of porridge and sugar wafers we donned backpacks and followed the torturous path up and down hill for four hours until we stopped for lunch which usually consisted of eggs, bread, fruit cocktail and more tea. After a brief rest we followed a steep course to the main trading village, Namche Bazaar, consisting of about 200 structures plastered along the mountainside. Along the way to Namche, upon rounding a bend, we were treated to our first glimpse of Mt. Everest.

Our campsite was high above Namche, and John and I scampered down the hill to visit the village before darkness set in. This was our first mistake, for it meant climbing back up to the camp for dinner, an excessive amount of work for those unaccustomed to elevations of 12,000 feet.

The following morning we hit the trail for Tangboche, the beautiful Buddhist monastery that houses 50 lamas and sits atop a 14,000 foot peak. The next day we ascended to Periche (pop. 11, elev. 16,000). Here Nima's wife runs a small tea shop and we were treated to tea and cookies, but politely refused the rice-beer, fearing the effects at this altitude. Dr. Griffin of our party, my husband (a cardiologist) and I paid a visit to the Himalayan Rescue Center, a one-bed hospital

founded by Dr. Hayata of Tokyo Medical College for the purpose of: 1. supplying emergency medical care to climbers who succumb to mountain sickness, 2. providing medical care to the local Sherpas and their yaks, 3. conducting research on altitude sickness. The resident physician, Clyde Ikeda, arrived two weeks ago and will spend three months at the outpost before returning to his surgical training in New York. Dr. Ikeda described how patients are transported to this hospital from higher elevations, encased in a sleeping bag and carried in a basket on the back of a strong Sherpa.

We spent an extra day in Periche, for acclimatization purposes. The night was cold—0°F.—but we stayed warm with our down booties, long underwear, hot water bottle, down jacket, wool stocking cap, balaclava, and down mittens.

Our next stop was the outpost at Lobuche (elev. 17,000). The path followed the Dudh Kosi river, a gradual ascent, where the rocks became more numerous, the river frozen, and we were consciously aware of the lower oxygen availability. Snow fell overnight and the next day was cold and bleak as we set off for our furthermost camp site, Gorak Shep, situated at the foot of Mt. Kala Patar and near the Everest base camp. The gray colors and terrain of rocks and unusual ice formations gave one the impression of being on the moon. The slippery ice and loose rocks made for slow progress, and in mid-afternoon we faced the choice of pressing on for the base camp and returning in the dark or heading back short of our objective but in the safety of daylight. We opted for the latter and finally reached our tents as darkness was settling in, totally exhausted and unable to eat our supper other than the soup. I was awake most of that evening, aware of a forceful heartbeat, of a throbbing headache, and of the flapping of the tent in the cold wind.

The sun was out the next morning, so we decided to climb up Kala Patar and get a good view of Mt. Everest, the Khumbu glacier, and the icefall. We descended from Kala Patar and spent an arduous eight hours treking back to Lobuche and finally to Periche.

In this part of the world, wealth is measured by the number of yaks one owns and the number of rockencircled fields one farms. Occasionally a building with glass windows and shutters painted red, blue and yellow is encountered.

Our final campsite was back in Lukla, which now looked like a thriving little town after we had other settlements to compare it to. We sipped Napoleon brandy around a roaring fire, reminisced about the highlights of our trek, and hoped that the next morning would be clear.

The morning fog lifted. The sirens sounded at the airport indicating that the plane had taken off from Kathmandu. After another 35 minutes, the siren blared again, indicating that the plane had been spotted and was preparing to land. We bid a fond farewell to Nima, our three Sherpas, and the porters. I left with mixed emotions, sorry to give up the brightest stars, bluest skies, highest mountains and swiftest rivers that I have ever seen.



Over the DESKTOP

As we get ready to put the Winter issue of the Magazine in the mail to the printers in far off Wisconsin, the Autumn issue hasn't yet made its appearance in Theta homes. One hundred thousand copies are on their way in their respective canvas bags, destined for their very own zip codes before being delivered at the convenience of the local postmaster (which is a non-privilege of second class mail) to your home. The early deadline for the Winter issue is planned so that it will be started on its journey and arrive in time to greet you before Christmas.

Cover Story

The Christmas card cover shows Theta alumnæ Mary Worcester Anderson, Alpha Lambda and Toni Dickinson Bakun, Beta Xi selecting a choice plant at the Seattle Alumnæ poinsettia sale. The photographer was Jackie Fisher Meurk, Alpha Lambda. Poinsettia sales have become a popular fund raiser for Theta.

Our Senior Members Write

It was a privilege to read the letters of thanks and acknowledgement that poured in from Thetas who received pins for 50 or 75 years membership in Kappa Alpha Theta last year. Having arrived at the point in life where a 50 year Theta doesn't seem so old, still we have to be impressed with the vivid memories of college days in Theta that many of them recalled, the real caring about the fraternity that all expressed, and a feeling of pride that continues through the years. It was hard to pick just a few for the Magazine and in fact when it came down to it, the process of fitting them into space had to be the deciding factor.

Prairie Chapters Featured

The colored picture on the inside cover was the gift of noted photographer and writer, Patricia DuBois Duncan, Alpha Iota, Washington University (St. Louis). Patricia Duncan has been called a woman with a cause and a camera. Her cause is to save the Tall-grass Prairie, that part which is left and which once covered most of the midwest. Her book, Tall-grass Prairie: The Inland Sea is much more than a book of beautiful pictures. Stewart Udall's forward says, "It is a history of land use, a story of the impact of an environment on those who have lived in this unique region, and a personalized account of how a few committed individuals kept a 'lost cause' from being finally lost."

Patricia Duncan also has a Smithsonian Traveling Exhibition of her Tall-grass photographs. Her photograph of the Konza Prairie in Kansas is a fitting introduction to the feature article on Theta chapters in District IV, our tall-grass country—Kansas and Oklahoma.

This being the post rush season at most colleges brings to mind the inevitable truth that anticipation does not always coincide with reality. Many of us have experienced disappointment when a relative or friend didn't "match up" with her legacy fraternity. Taking it in stride and remembering that one joins one group or another through the process of mutual selection, and that statistics are increasingly stacked against a legacy "match" as the fraternity system grows older, it is refreshing to read the following letter sent to the Director of Membership Selection.

Dear Mrs. Brehman,

As a fall 1978 pledge, I just received my first issue of the Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine and was surprised to find your article on a subject that is very important to me. I would like to share with you my experience as a legacy. My mother was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma, and my sister a Delta Delta, both graduates of Ohio State. I am so grateful that they gave me no pressure and only wanted what was best for me. When I pledged Theta, they were happy for me because I had joined the sorority in which I felt most comfortable.

I feel it is important that all mothers and sisters realize each girl's individuality and understand that the sorority experience is only best when a girl is able to make her own choice. I am thankful that my mother and sister gave me this advice when I went through rush for now I am a happily active member of the sorority of my choice, Kappa Alpha Theta.

Jenny Rudy, Alpha Gamma

Writing in the Delta Upsilon magazine the Executive Director of that fraternity, William A. Butler, Jr., refers to the concept of the fraternity system and the idea of fraternity as "fragile." That adjective is not from an off the cuff remark, but the considered opinion of one who has worked for the betterment of his own fraternity for many years. His insight into the fraternity system lends further credence to this perceptive evaluation. "Fragile" as applied to the fraternity system seems to imply a lack of definition as to what a fraternity should be. Certainly the type of mentality that produced Animal House and similar films has not the foggiest idea of fraternity as a salutary experience destined to enhance a college education. The fragility of the "fraternity idea" is obvious when some men's fraternity chapters jump on the Animal House bandwagon as if trying to prove the truth of the image projected. Such distortion of the idea can only undermine the system which supports it. Those who labor as volunteers within the fraternity system should be working to shore up the idea, which after all supersedes the system.

Theta Book Nook



Jane MacLean, Kappa, Kansas

DEADFALL by Jane MacLean, Kappa, Kansas, E. P. Dutton New York, 1979.

Since Jane MacLean, in her thriller, DEADFALL, has, with superb cleverness succeeded in withholding the solution until almost the last page, it would be most unfair to offer the explanation in a review.

The story builds, through subtle suggestion, a mounting dread in the reader, who is aware that there are sinister, unanswered questions in the death of Jonathan McMillan, a successful San Francisco broker who had apparently fallen from the balcony of a fashionable apartment overlooking the Bay. His death had followed a drunken evening with his wife, Stephanie, and her "best friend," Fitz, a sophisticated, beautiful, completely uninhibited artist.

The two women represent complete opposites: Stephanie matches every daring, sexy idea or act in Fitz with the most conservative, innocent standards as the shy housewife living the protected life of Jonathan's wife and the mother of his two children, Kent and Angela. Stephanie has led a life which seems completely fulfilled by her marriage, motherhood, and the wellordered program of Jonathan's success. However, she is frequently required to defend herself against the taunting ridicule of Fitz, her friend since childhood. who assures Stephanie that her life is empty, wasted; that Stephanie should instead, develop her own artistic and literary talents.

After Jonathan's horrible death (which is under investigation by police and insurance adjusters), Stephanie goes to a Mexican resort to think through the situation, to "catch the curve of her life," and find the explanation of her husband's death-did he really fall or was he pushed? At the resort, she encounters Nicholas, a very handsome, urbane man who is actually investigating Jonathan's death, but who uses Stephanie as the object of his expert seduction as well as the source of information for which he is being paid. He subjects her to a hidden lie-detector test and insistent questioning, assuring her of his wish to help her find peace of mind by recalling the details of her husband's death.

Stephanie is increasingly tormented by confused recollections of her childhood friendship with Fitz, recurrent and horrifying dreams involving both of them, and the puzzle of Jonathan's death.

After Nicholas' death (as a result of a scuba-diving tank drained of oxygen, mysteriously), Stephanie tries to face her anguished self-questioning about the night on the balcony and the fall. She tries to examine her friendship with Fitz, the possibility of an affair between Fitz and Jonathan, and her future.

The shocking revelation reveals a most adroit handling of a strange, compelling conflict, much more than that of the standard mystery. The title, DEADFALL, fits the intricacies of the plot: "Deadfall-a trap constructed so that a weight falls upon the victim and kills or disables it."

Jean Cuykendall Saunders, Tau

CHILDREN in ART by Kate Alford Sedgwick, Gamma Delta, Georgia and Rebecca Frischkorn, Holt Rinehart and Winston, New York, 1978.

Kate Sedgwick and Rebecca Frischkorn, while working as docents in different museums, noticed that children shied away from art, as if it were not for the likes of them. To overcome this problem, they began to tell stories about each work of art. Instantly, the tours were enlivened—the children became interested and enthusiastic. Set in the context of a story, a painting or a piece of sculpture became more accessible.

Children in Art is the outgrowth of that experiment. This approach to art appreciation for children introduces them to art through children in art.

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